

of Alabama. The first two are members of the old committee, and undoubtedly will be accorded similar honor on the new.

There is a general demand among the Democrats that Underwood, who is Leader Clark's first lieutenant on the floor, should be given a place. The fourth Democrat has not yet been even mentioned.

To attempt to predict whom the Republicans will select would be the merest speculation. Besides Speaker Cannon, Dulzell, of Pennsylvania, and Smith, of Iowa, are the present Republican members of the Rules Committee. By the terms of the Norris amendment, Speaker Cannon is specially eliminated from the new committee. The Democratic leaders said to-day that they anticipated no difficulty in having their caucus selection for this committee ratified by the House, as the insurgent Republicans had given them a pledge to support the Democratic nominees, partly in consideration of the unanimous vote of the Democrats for the Norris resolution.

But the high important matter of the selection of this new Rules Committee was of secondary consideration in the talk heard to-day as to whether the war within the ranks of the Republican party was to continue or not.

TILLMAN IN ATLANTA

Senator Goes to Sanatorium to Take "Rest Cure."

Atlanta, Ga., March 20.—After a stay of two days at his home in Trenton, S. C., United States Senator D. I. Tillman and Mrs. Tillman arrived in this city to-day. The Senator was driven immediately to a local sanatorium, where he will remain until he has recovered from his recent illness.

Physicians attending the Senator's condition said that the Senator's condition was much improved, and that he came here to take the "rest cure" for which he is expected to be fully recovered.

NO NEW JAP AGREEMENT

Tokio Declares That the Convention of 1908 Stands.

Tokio, March 20.—Details of the story published in the United States, to the effect that Japan had proposed a new agreement with the United States, have been received with much surprise here. The Foreign Office denies the report positively. "There is not the slightest foundation for such a story. A new agreement is absolutely unnecessary. The agreement of 1908 covers all questions outstanding between the United States and Japan, and has been and will be adhered to both in spirit and in the letter."

FIRE UPON RIOTERS

Soldiers Kill One and Wound Several Strikers.

Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe, March 20.—Following a series of four days' rioting incident to the sugarcane-cutters' strike, who were accused of having pillaged the Blanchet factory at Les Minieres, a mob gathered before the police station to that place to protest against the action of the gendarmes. A gendarme was attacked by the mob, and the soldiers fired upon the rioters. Killing one and wounding several. Order has now been re-established, and the situation is quiet.

Manifesto to Royalists

Paris, March 20.—The Duke of Orleans, in a manifesto to the Royalists of France, approves of the scandal arising from the foundation of the Religious Orders, declares that republican institutions are responsible for the corruption of men. "In this instance," he says, "the church has been the money stolen from the church pays his mistresses."

Possess Murderer

Marion, Ark., March 20.—Over 100 armed men are searching for Charley Jones, an escaped negro murderer, who was seen on Dunbar's Island, opposite this city, yesterday. Jones had been in the island to prevent the negro's escape.

Curtailment Ordered

Rockingham, N. C., March 20.—Curtailment to three days a week for two weeks and complete shutdown thereafter until further notice is the demand of directors of the Hannah Pickett Mill, who have 10,000 stock of manufactured yarn on hand. During the shutdown an additional weaver is being costed \$1,000, will be added to the plant.

MEN VOTE TO STRIKE

Four More Mills of Paper Company Will Not Open To-Day.

Watertown, N. Y., March 20.—Four more mills of the International Paper Company, employees of which have been on strike since yesterday morning, will not open to-day. The union voted to strike. It is now estimated that at Niagara Falls, Glens Falls, and other places, the strike will cost the company \$2,500 employees are now out on strike.

KLEIN'S CONFESSION MAKES MANY UNEASY

Former Councilman Kept Under Guard Where None of Those Accused Can See Him—Goes Before Grand Jury To-Day.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 20.—That former Councilman John F. Klein, by his confession of the alleged councilman bribery, which has been simmering since June, 1908, could have many easy moments to present and former office-holders was apparent to-day about the City Hall and the Fort Pitt Hotel, where detectives, the Voters' League officials and the assistant district attorney are said to have suits of rooms, in which they have been quizzing men said to know of the graft plot, in addition to what has been told by Klein.

Klein, in his confession, is said to implicate sixty or more former and present Councilmen and twenty-four hours detectives have been serving notice on the men so named. In the meantime, Klein's friends and family have not heard from him. Many anxious ones said to be desirous of reaching him before to-morrow are pointed out about the corridors of the hotel. It is not denied that Klein is held incommunicado in a suit of rooms, guarded by two detectives. District Attorney Blakely will not deny that Klein is not at the hotel, and asserts "that Klein's confession will show its hand to-morrow. You may look for sensational developments then."

In the meantime Councilmen have been seen entering the rooms where

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FACING CRISIS IN POOL SCANDAL

James R. Keene Is Now in One of Tightest Places of His Career.

New York, March 20.—James R. Keene is facing a crisis in his long career as one of the greatest financial operators in Wall Street. He is confronted on the one hand by the power of the Federal government in its enforcement of the bankruptcy laws, and on the other by a distinctly menacing attitude displayed by the governors of the New York Stock Exchange.

Mr. Keene is not under the jurisdiction of the Stock Exchange, for he is not a member; but his brokers are. Beyond all this, Mr. Keene is threatened with a series of lawsuits to determine how far he may be held responsible for the continuance of which precipitated the failure of the Stock Exchange firm of Roberts, Hall & Criss in the collapse of the Hocking pool.

It became known in the street yesterday that the governors of the Stock Exchange have by no means decided to investigate the Hocking scandal, but are determined to go further in the inquiry which led to the virtual expulsion of Henry S. Haskins, of Lathrop, Haskins & Co., and Clifford Washburn, of J. M. Fiske & Co., both of which firms were precipitated to bankruptcy as a result of the collapse of the pool.

Kept Large Sums on Deposit. Mr. Keene has many brokers. In one of these brokerage houses The Times-Dispatch representative learned yesterday that during the panic of 1907 Mr. Keene had so large a sum of money on deposit that it was a matter of course with him to draw out of it a day without turning a hair or ruffling the equanimity of the firm. This is cited as an instance of the vast amount of floating money Mr. Keene has always maintained at his immediate disposal.

The governors of the Stock Exchange had before them yesterday a number of the 160 brokers who are known to have executed orders in Hocking Gold and Iron stock. Among those who were present was Mr. Keene. Mr. Sternbach, long regarded as Mr. Keene's personal broker, as manager of the Hocking pool, Mr. Keene placed the orders with Henry S. Haskins, the floor manager of the pool, who in turn delegated their execution to Hugh P. Criss, of Robert, Hall & Criss.

When Keene was examined before Commissioner Alexander in the United States courts last Wednesday he testified that his brokers had sold his Hocking stock without his knowledge. Mr. Keene specifically which brokers had done this.

Further Actions Expected. Wall Street is interested in the report that the firm which is said to have executed the orders, appeared before the governors of the Stock Exchange. There is said to be considerable discrepancy between their statements and those of Mr. Keene given on the witness stand in the Federal courts. The discrepancy is giving the governors of the Stock Exchange serious food for thought, and the Street leaders that further drastic action against Mr. Keene is expected.

The special committee appointed by the creditors to examine the books of Robert, Hall & Criss, who are John G. Saxo, Charles L. Andrews and James H. Walwright, have made a report in which they recommend that suit be brought against Mr. Keene, or against other members of the Hocking pool, for a substantial settlement of the claims of the creditors.

This committee further reports that it does not believe the insolvency of the firm is due to Mr. Keene, who is very popular in Wall Street, but to the manipulation of James R. Keene, and that Mr. Keene and the members of the pools should bear the losses of Mr. Criss and his firm. Mr. Criss having acted merely as the agent of the pool.

Creditors of J. M. Fiske & Co. have likewise threatened to bring suit against Mr. Keene individually.

FALLS 300 FEET

Aeronaut Has Narrow Escape When Balloon Explodes.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 20.—Henry Savage, an aeronaut, narrowly escaped death to-day when his balloon exploded at a height of 100 feet. The balloon burst before Savage could lose his chute and his body started down like a meteor. In descending the parachute failed to open, and he fell 300 feet before he was rescued by a net.

The man and his parachute were rescued by a net. Savage was unconscious when he fell, but recovered in a few minutes.

Klein's assertions in his confession, as they have come to light, are said to be most startling. He "kept books" on all money paid out by him to other Councilmen on the bank depository firm. To some Councilmen Klein sent the money in registered letters. The receipts for these letters were preserved.

During his trial and previously Klein has persisted in the statement under examination that he knew nothing of the money which he was believed to have been protecting some one, and he stuck to this position until almost at the threshold of the State prison, which he was to enter to-morrow.

While he was confident that his family would be cared for, he was loath to make any disclosures, but when those named by Klein appeared before the grand jury to-morrow, and were permitting him to go to prison and leave his family facing starvation, then with pressure brought to bear upon him by the Voters' League, which began the bribery investigation, and the district attorney, Klein weakened and told the whole story.

It is recognized that Klein in substantiating his confession before the grand jury and in court must necessarily admit that he committed perjury, but it is broadly hinted by the county prosecutor's office that Klein will be dealt with leniently, and possibly will not serve a day in prison.

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Court Refuses to Hold Aviator or His Aeroplanes by Injunction.

New York, March 20.—Louis Paulhan, who has broken the world's record for height in a heavier-than-air machine, has been refused an injunction by the court yesterday. His former manager Edwin Cleary, who brought Paulhan to this country under a contract to pay him \$24,000 a month, lost in his efforts to obtain an injunction restraining the aviator from taking his aeroplanes out of the jurisdiction of the court. He also failed to get an order for the arrest of the aviator.

Cleary only smiled when this decision was read to him. Paulhan had nothing on him.

"Why this preliminary injunction," said he quietly, "just gave me time to start suit for damages against Paulhan for breach of contract and to get out a writ of attachment on the aeroplanes. If Paulhan wants to take the aeroplanes with him, he must make my legal action is concerned, I don't care whether Paulhan boards a steamship or sits quietly in New York."

Cleary does not know where Paulhan is, and does not seem to care much. The Frenchman has slipped from the country, he did it quietly, and he did not skip away on one of his aeroplanes, because they are all safely stored away. Cleary has as his counsel Clarence J. Shearn and Frederick W. Van Zandt. He was ready last week to bring suit against Paulhan in the face of his apparent defeat, to smile cheerfully and insist he still has the best of Paulhan.

"I paid Paulhan," said he, "\$42,000, and yet he insists that I owe him \$30,000, and his reason for refusing to fly was that I had not kept to my contract in paying him \$24,000 a month in advance. You see, when I brought him to this country I agreed that his salary should start on January 10. When he reached California I paid him \$24,000, and before he made a single flight. After four weeks there, I got other engagements and paid Paulhan \$12,000, but by this time the Wrights had got out their injunction against him, and I did not feel justified in paying him \$24,000 in advance when I did not know whether he would fly."

"I came with him to New York and I paid him \$6,000 before he made a flight here, and at the same time I had to put up \$6,000 as an indemnity to the Wrights. The three flights Paulhan made cost me \$16,000. Still he insists on refusing to fly. I was in advance for him made a single flight here, and he wanted \$6,000 for weeks when he could not fly, because of the injunction against him."

"If Paulhan is a wise man he will come around and agree to fly, but he has threatened to sue me for having distorted his view of things."

Justice Newburger said he found nothing in the contract between Paulhan and Cleary that showed Cleary has any proprietary interest in the aeroplanes. He pointed out that Cleary's remedy was to bring suit.

NINE MILES OF BANDAGES

King's Daughters Send Useful Gift to a Leprosy Hospital.

Bethlehem, Pa., March 20.—At a banding rolling, 24 burlap, 24 representatives of the twenty-three circles of King's Daughters, connected with the Moravian churches of the United States, rolled 24 burlap, 24 miles of bandages, making nine and one-third miles of bandages.

The work was done by the Moravian leprosy hospital at Surlingham, South America.

GOES TO WED; FINDS HIM DEAD

Venerable Woman Shocked at End of Journey.

Chester, Pa., March 20.—Mrs. Elizabeth Seymour, an aged woman, of 2528 West Sixth Street, returned from a journey to the West, where she was married to Rev. Daniel Savage, a retired Methodist minister.

Upon her arrival there she was astonished to learn that her prospective husband was dead. The venerable old lady would be held during the funeral, which was held a few hours before the arrival of his betrothed.

CLUB PLANS GREAT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Artists of Renown and Fine Orchestra to Accompany Wednesday Chorus.

Music lovers of Richmond and vicinity are beginning eagerly to count the days until the annual music festival of the Wednesday Club, which will be held in the City Auditorium April 25 and 26.

Judging from the comments heard on either side of the street, the year will far eclipse any previous year. Among the principal artists to be heard will be Mme. Jemelli, who sang here for the first time last year, and who made the biggest hit made here by any artist in recent concerts. Mme. Jemelli, who has been singing with her ready response to the many encores, firmly intrenched herself there for all time. One of the numbers for the first night will be Gounod's "Galla," with Mme. Jemelli, who has been singing with her ready response to the many encores, firmly intrenched herself there for all time.

The program for each night will be a matinee is filled with a variety of pleasing selections calculated to suit the taste of music-lovers everywhere. And this, the seventeenth annual festival, promises in every way to surpass any heretofore given by the club.

Now Use Auditorium. Last year the club decided to use the new City Auditorium, where, with abundant capacity for seating, the people could be arranged so that all might enjoy the concerts. This plan proved entirely satisfactory.

The club has been very successful in its mission—that of bringing the best music to the people and interpreting it with the best soloists and orchestra. Improvements are being made to the interior of the Auditorium and will be completed in ample time for the festival. The Wednesday Club chorus, under the careful training and direction of Tall 22nd March, this year will be the best chorus ever attempted before, because Mr. Morgan has had more time to train the chorus and show what the members can do. The children's chorus, too, will show noticeable improvement this year. The club has been very successful in its mission—that of bringing the best music to the people and interpreting it with the best soloists and orchestra.

Some of the Artists. Carl Bernthal will have direction of the orchestra, which will include the artist will be Mme. Alice Merritt, soprano; Miss Lilla Snelling, alto; Dr. Franklin Lawson, tenor; Frank Croxon, bass; Franz Kohler, violinist; Fritz Goerner, cellist.

The following board of governors: J. S. Bryan, J. G. Corley, E. H. Cosby, W. D. Duke, W. D. Gordon, A. B. Williams, B. H. Grundy, F. C. Hahr, R. W. Harrison, W. C. Meeker, and Arthur Servino.

Who Owns the Dock?

Councilman Selph Leads Unavailing Fight to Have It Fenced. What has become of the ordinance passed about four years ago requiring the abutting property owners to fence the dock? Some time ago Councilman Selph, who has busied himself and worried himself about the matter, ordered the ordinance started the agitation again, but was not successful. The police, though they summoned a number of people to court, have been able to accomplish nothing, because it seems impossible to ascertain who the dock is, and property, although there is some one who seems quite willing to sell it to the city.

Since the passage of the ordinance, unfortunately have continued to wander to the foot of Seventeenth Street, to the foot of the dock, where the dock is located, and the "disappeared from home" until in due course of time the corpses rose to the surface, were identified and buried. The unprotected dock has perhaps cost more lives than all the river front put together, but in spite of efforts to build it fenced, it remains as when first

SIGNS OF SPRINGTIME

Cupid's Express Leaves From Elbow Station Next Monday Morning. Along with the birds, buds and other signs of spring, Mrs. Gill announces that the Cupid's Express, which is to press for Easter Monday, starting as has been its wont for these many years, at 8 o'clock, from its accustomed place at the foot of the dock, will be on its way to the foot of the dock.

It is said that during the last few days, the good woman's telephone has been busy with anxious inquiries from ladies and gentlemen, making sure so that there would be no hitch. They were never a young couple that they had many mistlings up to the very time the person gave them his address. As far as the telephone, you can tell them all that there will be no trouble.

Of course, she would not say how new her husband is, with their new Easter together, she would have to Washington, but the load will be a big one. It can also be taken as a sign that Mrs. Gill will have marked every one of her "dear ones" before the train reaches the capital. She will tell about it when she gets back, counting over the dollars for the orphan boys.

WANTS GARRISON OFF BENCH

Trades Council Indorses Resolution Calling for His Removal. Newark, March 20.—A resolution in favor of the removal from the bench of Supreme Court Justice Charles Garrison has been introduced by the Essex Trades Council. This action against the justice was taken because, the resolution says, "he declared that the sum of \$8,500 awarded to a little girl who lost a leg by being run over by a trolley car was to be given to the girl's father, who had been convicted of the murder of the girl's mother."

The resolution was sent to the Essex Trades Council by the Camden Central Labor Union, which has asked for the co-operation of other bodies in the State in a movement aiming to have Justice Garrison removed.

English Players Win. San Diego, Cal., March 20.—English polo players won a victory at Coronado to-day, when the team of the Twentieth Hussars defeated the Riverside team, 11 to 2.

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OBITUARY

William S. Holland. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Windsor, Va., March 20.—William S. Holland, at one time one of the most prominent criminal lawyers in the State, died at his home in Windsor at 11 o'clock this morning very suddenly. He had just returned from a short walk, and sat down and complained of headache, and was before medical attention could be summoned. He was in his fifty-sixth year. He was born in Isle of Wight county, was a graduate of Richmond College, and was for many years Commonwealth's attorney of Isle of Wight county.

John L. Oglesby. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., March 20.—John L. Oglesby, aged seventy-six years, the oldest member of Marshall Lodge of Masons and the oldest Mason of the city, died at his home in Lynchburg at 12 o'clock this morning, after an illness of several weeks. He was engaged actively in the tobacco trade up to a few weeks ago, having for years been statistician for the association. The illness which caused his death was the first he had since he was a boy. He was born in Bedford county, and for several years was a passenger conductor on the old Virginia and Tennessee Railroad. He was a member of the Lynchburg Home Guard during the Civil War. Four sons and two daughters, all of Lynchburg, survive him.

Mrs. Elvira English. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Mineral, Va., March 20.—Mrs. Elvira English, widow of H. J. Parrish, of Bumpass, died at her residence at 1:30 o'clock of pneumonia, aged sixty-nine years. She is survived by two sons and five daughters—Robert T. and James H. Parrish, of Bumpass; Mrs. E. C. Terrell, of Beaver Dam; Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Bagby, of Bumpass; Mrs. Lucy Boyd, of Richmond; and Mrs. E. C. Terrell, of Bumpass. The funeral will be held Tuesday at 2 o'clock at the home cemetery, in Bumpass.

Mrs. Catherine Elizabeth Baird. Mrs. Catherine Elizabeth Baird died yesterday at her residence, 224 Baines Street, Manchester, N. H., at the age of fifty-five years. She leaves one son, Mrs. Louise Hickey, of New York; one daughter, Mrs. A. M. Tupper, of New York; and one daughter, Mrs. William Carroll, of New York.

The funeral will take place at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning from the Sacred Heart Cathedral, and the interment will be made in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Iwan Mueller, Jr. Iwan Mueller, Jr., died yesterday morning at the residence of his parents, 413 West Broad Street. He was twenty-two years of age. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock from the residence. Interment will be made in Oakwood.

Funeral of Mrs. Williamson. The funeral services of Mrs. C. T. Williamson will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the grave in Hollywood Cemetery.

DEATHS

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MUELLER.—Died, at the residence of his father, Iwan Mueller, Sr., 413 West Broad Street, at 12:10 A. M. Sunday, March 20. IWAN MUELLER, JR., aged twenty-two years.

Funeral THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON at 4 o'clock from the residence. Interment in Oakwood.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Fair and cooler Monday; Tuesday fair, with rising temperature; light, variable winds. North Carolina—Partly cloudy Monday; Tuesday fair; light, variable winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

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FIGHT FOR CONGRESS OPENS ALL OVER STATE

Battle Ground Will Be in Ninth District, Where Henry C. Stuart Has Opened Warm Campaign to Oust C. Bascom Slemp, Virginia's Only Republican Representative.

For the most part, it appears, Virginia's representatives in the next Congress will be the same as in the present one. While changes are possible, or perhaps probable, in two or three districts, it would seem that most of the Congressmen will have no opposition for re-nomination.

The battle ground in the State for the year, of course, will be in the Ninth District. The candidates there are already settled, since Henry C. Stuart has been named by the Democratic convention, and there is apparently no doubt that Congressman Slemp will be re-nominated, without opposition. The single Republican in the national House from this State is realizing that the biggest fight of his political career is ahead of him, for his committee has already met and laid plans for the campaign.

Meanwhile, the Democratic campaign has been begun. An adjunct committee has been named, and has held a meeting, at which plans were made to see that every Democrat in the district gets on the registration books and is qualified for the franchise. The eleven but in the political jump two years ago by ex-Senator Byrns, then the Democratic nominee, in his fight to nullify the enormous campaign fund which everybody believes is poured into the district every year by the Republicans, is believed to be bearing fruit.

Stands With Cannon. Again, the troubles in Congress are not likely to add to Mr. Slemp's strength. It is being noted that during the fight of the past few days the Virginia voted on roll calls with the Speaker, excepting when he was named by the committee. Mr. Slemp, while the Ninth District Republicans are to some extent wedded to the idea of a protective tariff on the mineral wealth of that section, they are for the most part of a progressive set, and it is believed they will not view with favor the action of their representative in aligning himself with the reactionary wing of the party. Especially so, since it appears that the cause is one which is destined to deeper defeats as time goes on.

As to the interests of the South-west, the Ninth District will do as the Democrats that Mr. Stuart is as devoted to them as is any man. His own affairs are large enough to make his interests one with those of his people.

So far as fighting the Republicans is concerned, the only fight which the Ninth District will have in the Tenth, the minority party being a negligible quantity elsewhere in this State. While Congressman Saunders may have Democratic opposition, the general impression is that he will not, but that he will have another opportunity to fight for his position. State Senator Parsons, the contestant from that district, is quoted as saying that unless he is seated by Congress he will not again be a candidate, but at the same moment it was announced from the State House that his supporters will insist upon his nomination. It is likely to be the old fight of 1908. This year, with the trend of things setting toward the Democrats and on the eve, most people are convinced of the election of a Democratic House of Representatives. It is not likely to be a close thing, but it is a decisive majority.

Many Want Honor. Perhaps the most interesting scrap among the Democrats will be in the Second District. Already Congressman Harry L. Maynard has two opponents—ex-Congressman Young and Hon. J. T. Deal, the latter being a member of the present House of Delegates from the city of Norfolk. Besides, the friends of Senator E. E. Holland, of Suffolk, are doing all they can to urge him to announce his candidacy. All four of these men command large followings, and the fight in the primary, if all of them participate, will indeed be a pretty one.

What may happen in the Tenth is a matter of conjecture. During the political talk of the past week, this district has been considerably in the public eye. The feeling is now, however, that Mr. Flood will again consent to be a candidate. The name of Senator Aubrey E. Strode is being widely used as an opponent. A short time since a number of the friends of the Amherst man said that they would try to secure his consent to a contest, but he has made no formal announcement. Stranger things have happened, and there are those who believe he will try conclusions with the powerful statesman from Appomattox.

There seems to be little doing in the other districts of the State. The opposition to Congressman William A. Jones, of the First District, Mr. Jones now holds the record for

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Manhattan Bridge Ablaze. Firemen Have Hard Work Fighting Blaze 150 Feet Above River. New York, March 20.—A fire 150 feet above the East River on the new Manhattan Bridge, gave the firemen one of the toughest jobs they have had this year. Not until some of them had climbed into the iron work of the bridge, dragging lengths of hose over them, did they succeed in putting it out from above.

The fire was started in a pile of canvas trunks and a workman's red-hot rivet dropped by a workman from aloft.

Champions Ready to Train. Hot Springs, Ark., March 20.—The Pittsburg world champions arrived here to-day to start training for the 1910 season.

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